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Applicant

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Examiner

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Dear Commissioner:

The Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-8.

The Applicants previously filed a petition for a one-month extension of time, extending the period for response to four months (i.e., up to and including April 16, 2004). Thus, the Applicants believe that no additional petition and fee for an extension of time is required. If the Applicants' belief is incorrect, the Applicants hereby provisionally petition for any necessary extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for any extension of time to Jenkens & Gilchrist, P.C. Deposit Account No. 10-0447(47079-00086USPT).

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Respectfully submitted,

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